





ASEAN-AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND FREE TRADE AREA (AANZFTA) ECONOMIC COOPERATION WORK PROGRAMME (EWCP)

AANZFTA Seminar on Enhancing ASEAN Logistics Services

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Key Issues Emerging from the Conference:

- Capability and capacity building of industry and government people (including the up-skilling
 of government department and agency staff whose work impacts supply chain and logistics
 performance).
- Raising community and political awareness about the critical role supply chain and logistics play in regional and global trade performance and national competitiveness.
- Developing and building a legal framework and effective regulations to enhance cross border trade (i.e. ASEAN Single Marketplace in SE Asia)
- The provision of multi modal infrastructure including short sea shipping.
- The provision of effective information and communications systems for regional and global connectivity, and to reduce costs, overcome current impediments and increase productivity.
- A new regional approach to collecting meaningful supply chain and logistics statistics, to report against key performance indicators and to provide accurate economic information to support long term strategic planning and investment.
- Integrated land use and port planning for long term development (including infrastructure maintenance, expansion, protecting freight corridors, buffering in urban areas and sustainability).
- Establishing industry driven logistics councils to support and advise 'whole of government' understanding, which in turn will improve public sector performance in relation to supply chain processes.
- Identifying and eliminating unnecessary bureaucratic process, red tape and corruption.
- Supply chain security, risk and resilience (alternatives available in the event of natural disasters).